

BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

-from Diana Fiedler, State Advisor, Montana BPA, dated June 12, 2008-

- ❖ 300 Montana students, advisors, and guests attended the NLC in Reno, Nevada, May 7 – 11, 2008.
- ❖ Our **Post-Secondary Division** was awarded the 'Membership Growth Award' for the second year in a row! Both Flathead Valley Community College and Montana Tech students placed in the **TOP TEN!**

POST-SECONDARY TOP TEN AWARDS

Kevin Benton, Montana Tech, **1st place** in NOVELL Network Administration

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Brendan Hardy & Garrett Lommatsch, FVCC, **1st place** in Small Business Management Team

Lindsay Heldstab, FVCC, **3rd place** in Keyboarding Production

Garrett Lommatsch, FVCC, **3rd place** in Human Resource Management

Kevin Benton, Kyle Strid, & Steve Riehl, Montana Tech, **5th place** in Network Design Team

Jessica Szalay, FVCC, **5th place** in Legal Office Procedures

Lindsay Heldstab, FVCC, **8th place** in Database Applications

Brendan Hardy, FVCC, **9th place** in Database Applications

- ❖ Thirty-nine (39) **Montana Secondary** students placed in the **TOP TEN** in the nation in competitive events and went to the stage to receive their medallions and award plaques!
- ❖ **National TOP THREE awardees--Secondary:**
 - Jennifer Cooley, Garfield Cty. Dist. HS, **1st place** as a National Merit Scholar
 - Peter Ferrell, Noxon HS, **1st place** in Management/Marketing/HR Concepts
 - Lindsey Nelson, Bainville HS, **2nd place** in Entrepreneurship
 - Alyssa Hjelvik, Melstone HS, **2nd place** in Advanced Office Systems & Procedures
 - Stephanie Karp, Belgrade HS, **3rd place** in Human Resource Management
 - Beth Faber, Heather Kern, Jimmy Opie, & Nik Wong, Skyview HS, **3rd place** in Administrative Support Team

❖ **MONTANA BPA'S 2008 NLC TOP TEN NATIONAL PLACINGS**

- *Advanced Interview Skills*, Caitlin Zimmerman, Shields Valley HS, **7th place**.
- *Advanced Word Processing Skills*, Alyssa Sipes, Columbus HS, **7th place**.
- *Administrative Support Concepts*, Peter Ferrell, Noxon HS, **5th place**.
- *Banking & Finance*, Patrick Flor, Baker HS, **4th place**.
- *Basic Office Systems & Procedures*, Brianne DePuydt, Saco HS, **9th place**.
- *Basic Office Systems & Procedures*, Kara Olson, Saco HS, **5th place**.
- *Computerized Accounting*, Ashlee Mead, Cut Bank HS, **6th place**.
- *Economic Research Project-Team*, Amanda Hedtke, Jessica Smith, & Kolette Johnson, Absarokee HS, **10th place**.
- *Financial Analyst Team*, Chelsea Carlson, Josh Dyba, Kelsey Kincheloe, & Whitney Newman, Huntley Project HS, **5th place**.
- *Financial Math & Analysis*, Chelsea Carlson, Huntley Project HS, **4th place**.
- *Graphic Design Promotion*, Johanna Satterfield, Roundup HS, **7th place**.
- *Human Resource Management*, Shawna McClurg, Absarokee HS, **4th place**.
- *Insurance Concepts*, Peter Ferrell, Noxon HS, **6th place**.

- *Integrated Office Applications, Afton Garland*, Sidney HS, 10th place.
- *Integrated Office Applications, Alyssa Hjelvik*, Melstone HS, 5th place.
- *JAVA Programming, Jakub Gedeon*, Bozeman HS, 10th place.
- *Keyboarding Production, Kelsey Bymaster*, Broadview HS, 4th place.
- *Legal Office Procedures, Scarlet Ford*, Lavina HS, 4th place.
- *Legal Office Procedures, Brandon Killen*, Forsyth HS, 6th place.
- *Management/Marketing/HR Concepts, Rebecca Murnion*, Garfield Cty. Dist. HS, 10th place.
- *Management/Marketing/HR Concepts, Ashley Vincent*, Charlo HS, 5th place.
- *Payroll Accounting, Riley Brewer*, White Sulphur Springs HS, 7th place.
- *Payroll Accounting, Ashley Vincent*, Charlo HS, 9th place.
- *Small Business Management Team, Caitlin Zimmerman, Hailey Maier, Kristen Scott, & Michael Ann McInerney*, Shields Valley HS, 4th place.
- *Spreadsheet Applications & Analysis, Derek Livermont*, Forsyth HS, 5th place.
- *VB.NET Programming, Clive Ogle*, White Sulphur Springs HS, 8th place.
- *Web Site Design Team, Clay Cranford & Whitney Newman*, Huntley Project HS, 8th place.

❖ MONTANA BPA'S 2008 NLC SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

- *BPA Marketing & Public Relations, DENTON HIGH SCHOOL*
- *BPA Marketing & Public Relations, CASCADE HIGH SCHOOL*
- *Chapter Activities Award of Excellence, CASCADE HIGH SCHOOL*
- *Chapter Activities Award of Excellence, DENTON HIGH SCHOOL*
- *Community Action Award, DENTON HIGH SCHOOL*
- *Community Action Award, SHIELDS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL*
- *Member Recruiter, BILLINGS WEST HIGH SCHOOL*
- *Safety Awareness Award, CASCADE HIGH SCHOOL.*
- *Safety Awareness Award, SHIELDS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL*
- *Special Olympics Award, CASCADE HIGH SCHOOL*
- *Special Olympics Award, DENTON HIGH SCHOOL*
- *Special Olympics Award, PARK HIGH SCHOOL*
- *Special Olympics Award, SHIELDS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL*

❖ MONTANA BPA'S 2008 QUALITY CHAPTERS

- **BILLINGS WEST HIGH SCHOOL**, Shelly Stanton, Advisor
- **DENTON HIGH SCHOOL**, Eric Swenson, Advisor
- **SIDNEY HIGH SCHOOL**, Elaine Stedman, Advisor

❖ MONTANA BPA'S 2008 AMBASSADOR TORCH AWARDS

- **ABSAROKEE HIGH SCHOOL**: *Kathryn Huether*
- **ALBERTON HIGH SCHOOL**: *Cleo Talbolt, Jacob Rausch, Allyson Briscoe*
- **BROADVIEW HIGH SCHOOL**: *Becky Badgett, Megan Schimdt, John Jansen, Josh Cederberg*
- **CASCADE HIGH SCHOOL**: *Amber Griffiths, Anna Bisted, Gwen Mann, Jennifer Schubert*
- **CUSTER HIGH SCHOOL**: *Dakotah Murphy*
- **DENTON HIGH SCHOOL**: *Kris Barber, Jacob Krieger, Kara Fox*
- **GARFIELD COUNTY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL**: *Malcolm McRae, Cerissa Wilson, Daniel Edwards, Rebecca Murnion, Jennifer Cooley*
- **JUDITH GAP HIGH SCHOOL**: *Dezarae Brewington*
- **LAMBERT HIGH SCHOOL**: *Danielle Bertrande, Brittney Bonogofsky*
- **MANHATTAN HIGH SCHOOL**: *Madeline Strong*

- PARK HIGH SCHOOL: *Riker Haefs*
- ROBERTS HIGH SCHOOL: *Kayla Pierson, Cody Kessner*
- ROUNDUP HIGH SCHOOL: *Tessa Mosdal*
- SACO HIGH SCHOOL: *Shauna McNamara*
- SHIELDS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL: *Sam Cornthwaite, Caitlin Zimmerman, Carly Sykes, Brittany Ryan, Kristen Scott*
- SIDNEY HIGH SCHOOL: *Richard Heckler, Jeromy Hardy, Josi Tippett, Tessa Rau, Jenna Welnel, Laci Lewis, Alison Binder, Cerina Azure, Melissa Asbeck, Amanda Kessel, Michelle Byer, Marshall Donahue, Kari Sergent, Nicole Ziler, Ashley Thiel, Afton Garland, Megan Harris, Chris Lee, Tara Mathern, Brooke Roth, Sara McMillen, Matt Brenner, Laura Kuylen, Kass Milne, Jenna Peterson*
- WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL: *Sarah Zehntner*

CONGRATULATIONS to all NLC participants ... Montana BPA is SO proud of you!

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